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		Art Unit	2814
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: PROCESS FOR SEALING AND CONNECTING PARTS OF
ELECTROMECHANICAL, FLUID AND OPTICAL
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2004, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on August 21, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.